

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-7 (canceled)

- 5 Claim 8 (original): A method of forming multiple oxide layers with different thicknesses comprising:

providing a semiconductor substrate comprising a silicon surface with a first region and a second region;

- 10 forming a sacrificial oxide layer on the silicon surface to cover both the first region and the second region;

- forming a mask layer comprising a first opening with a first predetermined surface area in portions of the mask layer within the first region, and multiple
15 second openings, each second opening having a second predetermined surface area, in portions of the mask layer within the second region, on the surface of the sacrificial oxide layer to respectively expose portions of the sacrificial oxide layer having a surface area
20 equal to the first predetermined surface area, and portions of the sacrificial oxide layer, each having a surface area equal to the second predetermined surface area;

- performing a linear nitrogen doping process to
25 simultaneously implant nitrogen ions with a first predetermined concentration and nitrogen ions with a second predetermined concentration into the first region and the second region, respectively, through the first opening and the second opening, respectively;

- 30 removing the mask layer;
removing the sacrificial oxide layer; and
performing an oxidation process to form a first

silicon oxide layer having a first predetermined thickness, and a second silicon oxide layer having a second predetermined thickness, in the first and second regions, respectively.

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Claim 9 (original): The method of claim 8 wherein the first predetermined surface area is greater than the second predetermined surface area, the first predetermined concentration being greater than the
10 second predetermined concentration, and the first predetermined thickness is less than the second predetermined thickness.

Claim 10 (original): The method of claim 8 wherein a
15 ratio of the first predetermined surface area to the second predetermined surface area is defined as a constant k .

Claim 11 (original): The method of claim 8 wherein the
20 sacrificial oxide layer has a thickness ranging from 150 to 250 angstroms.

Claim 12 (original): The method of claim 8 wherein the semiconductor substrate comprises an SOI substrate.

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Claim 13 (original): The method of claim 8 wherein the mask layer comprises a photoresist layer.

Claim 14 (original): The method of claim 8 wherein the
30 implantation dosage of the nitrogen ions in the linear nitrogen doping process is N_2^+ ranging from 1×10^{14} to $1 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ with an implantation energy of approximately

30Kev.